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Mr. Patrick J. O'Brien, Director
Office of Economic Adjustment
Department of Defense
400 Army Navy Drive, Suite 200
Arlington, VA 22202-4704

RE: Request by the City Council of Sunnyvale, California that it be recognized as the Local Redevelopment Authority for the Onizuka Air Force Station.

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

It is with pleasure that I formally transmit to you Resolution No. 200-06 of the City Council of Sunnyvale requesting that the Department of Defense recognize the City Council as the Local Redevelopment Authority for Onizuka Air Force Station. The attached resolution incorporates the following reasons why the City Council believes it should be designated as the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA).

- ❖ The 23 acre Onizuka Air Force Station falls entirely within the jurisdiction of the City of Sunnyvale.

The base operates on land directly adjacent to Sunnyvale general industrial properties. As such, the redeveloped air station will be functionally integrated with the City of Sunnyvale. On December 13, 2005, the Mountain View City Council unanimously approved a Resolution (Attachment 2), designating Sunnyvale City Council as the LRA for the reuse activities associated with the closure of Onizuka AFS.

- ❖ The City Council is a duly elected body of the City of Sunnyvale, and as such, represents the citizens of the City of Sunnyvale and is the only jurisdiction with zoning authority over Onizuka Air Force Station.

- ❖ The closure of Onizuka Air Force Station presents a significant opportunity for Sunnyvale's community and economic development.

A variety of community and economic development opportunities will need to be carefully explored, all of which will benefit the citizens of Sunnyvale and the region, enhance the community and increase economic vitality overall.

- ❖ The City Council, as the recognized and designated LRA will prepare a Reuse Plan, which will serve as the primary planning document that will establish the vision for base redevelopment.
- ❖ The City Council will establish a Citizen's Advisory Committee representing diverse stakeholders within the City and the region. The Citizen's Advisory Committee will provide input to the LRA during the reuse planning process.

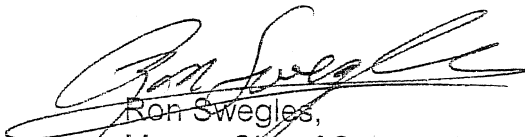
The overall approach of the City as it pursues the reuse planning process will be to keep the public informed and solicit input in order to develop a Reuse Plan that reflects local and regional desires. The LRA will form a Citizen's Advisory Committee to provide advice on formation of the Reuse Plan. The Citizen's Advisory Committee will represent the interests of diverse stakeholders in the community and region with an interest in the redevelopment of Onizuka Air Force Station and will be established for the duration of the reuse planning process. Sunnyvale City Council, serving as the LRA, will also receive input from neighboring jurisdictions and public agencies other than the City in order to develop a Reuse Plan that reflects both local and regional interests.

- ❖ Once the City of Sunnyvale is recognized as the LRA, it will be eligible to receive economic adjustment assistance and funding for reuse planning.

January 20, 2006

We are very grateful for the technical assistance we have already received from Mr. Anthony Gallegos, Western Regional Director, and Ms. Amanda Leiker, Project Manager. We look forward to a partnership with the Office of Economic Adjustment which brings about exciting community and economic development in Sunnyvale and meets Department of Defense objectives.

Sincerely,



Ron Swegles,
Mayor, City of Sunnyvale

Attachment 1 – Certified Resolution No. 200-06

Attachment 2 – City of Mountain View Resolution Number 17046 Series
2005

cc: Mr. Anthony Gallegos
Ms. Amanda Leiker
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 200-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SUNNYVALE REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
RECOGNIZE AND DESIGNATE THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE
AS THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR
ONIZUKA AIR FORCE STATION

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2005, the Secretary of Defense published in the Federal Register and transmitted to the Congressional Defense Committees and the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission a list of military installations that the Secretary of Defense recommends for closure or realignment; and

WHEREAS, Onizuka Air Force Station ("Onizuka AFS") was placed on the list of military installations recommended for closure or realignment; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2005, the City Council unanimously approved Report to Council 05-217, recommending the City of Sunnyvale pursue efforts to seek designation as the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) for Onizuka AFS; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2005, the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission presented its Final Report to President Bush; and

WHEREAS, Onizuka AFS was included in the Final Report of military installations recommended for closure or realignment; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2005, President Bush concurred with and sent the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission's Final Report to Congress for legislative review; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2005, Congress allowed the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission's recommended list of military installations to be closed or realigned to pass into law; and

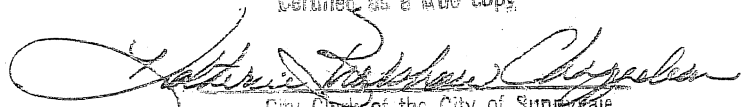
WHEREAS, on December 13, 2005, the Mountain View City Council unanimously approved Resolution Number 17046 Series 2005 designating Sunnyvale City Council members as the LRA for Onizuka AFS; and

WHEREAS, under applicable base closure regulation, an LRA must be comprised of representatives from jurisdictions with zoning authority over the closing base; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is a duly elected body of the City of Sunnyvale, and as such, the only jurisdiction with zoning authority over Onizuka AFS and represents the citizens of Sunnyvale; and

WHEREAS, such closure presents a significant opportunity for Sunnyvale's community and economic development; and

Certified as a true copy


City Clerk of the City of Sunnyvale

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale, as the recognized and designated LRA for Onizuka AFS, will prepare a Re-Use Plan as required under base closure law and regulation to serve as the primary planning document that will establish the vision for base redevelopment, articulating community goals that will guide the planning process and identify economically and environmentally feasible land uses for the base redevelopment program, including balancing the needs of the homeless with other community development objectives; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale, as the recognized LRA, will establish a Citizen's Advisory Committee which will, during the redevelopment planning process, solicit input from a broad and inclusive group of community stakeholders interested in redevelopment of the base; and

WHEREAS, once the City of Sunnyvale is recognized by the Department of Defense through the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA), it will be eligible to receive economic adjustment assistance funding for operation and reuse planning from the OEA.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Requests the Department of Defense, through the Office of Economic Adjustment, to recognize and designate the City of Sunnyvale as the Local Redevelopment Authority for Onizuka Air Force Station, and to confer upon the City of Sunnyvale all powers and authorities of a Local Redevelopment Authority under applicable base closure law and regulation.

Section 2. The City Clerk shall forthwith cause to be filed with the Office of Economic Adjustment a true and correct certified copy of this resolution upon its adoption.

Section 3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

Adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on January 10, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES: SPITALERI, HOWE, LEE, SWEGLES, HAMILTON, CHU, MOYLAN

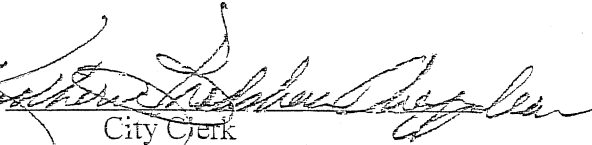
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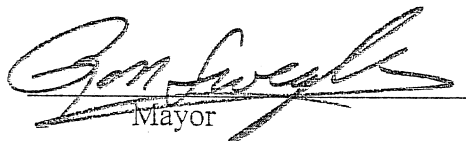
ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Katherine DeGuzman
City Clerk
(SEAL)


Gordon Swegles
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:


David E. Kahn, City Attorney